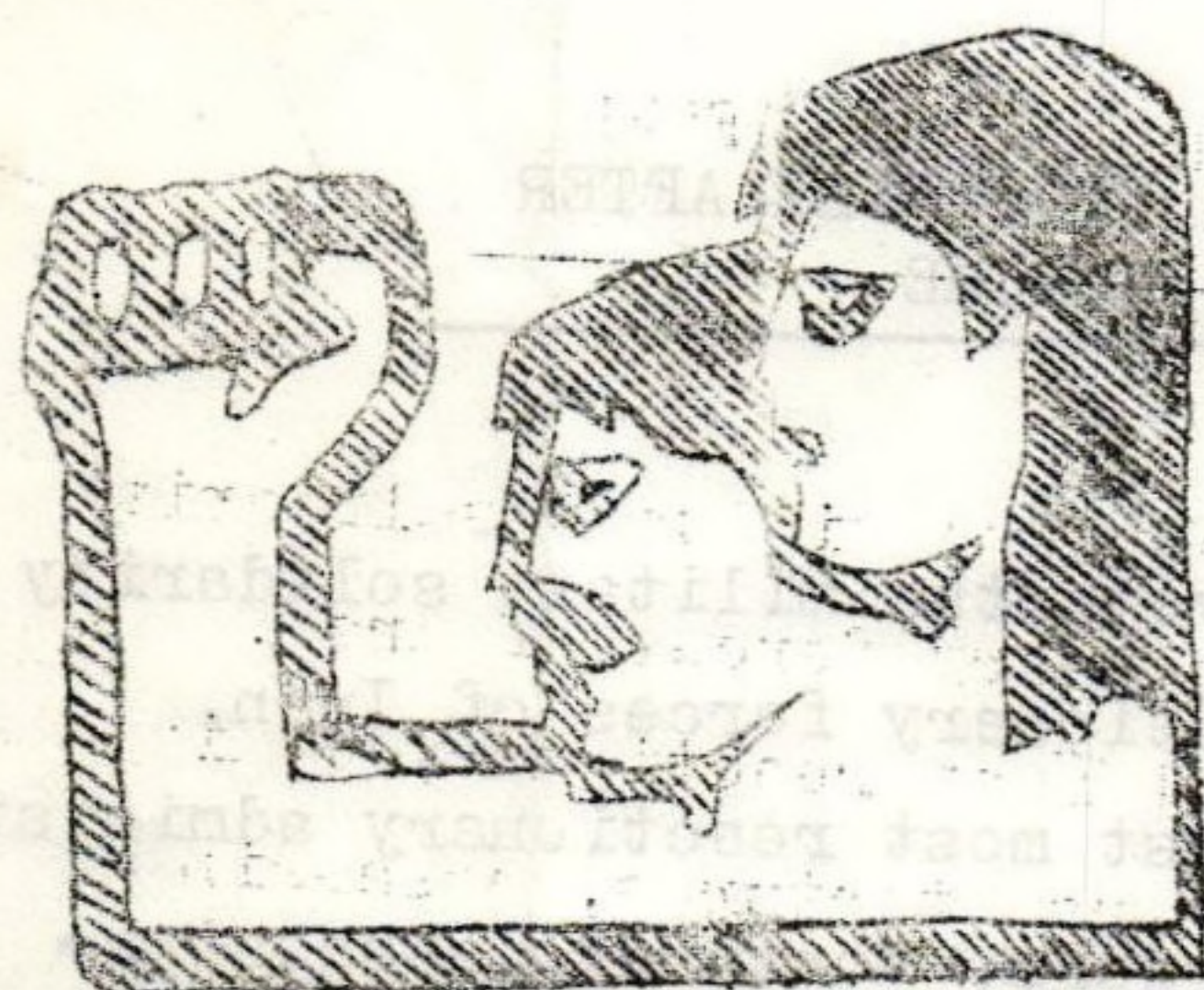




PROGRESSIVE YOUTH ORGANISATION of TURKEY

SOLIDARITY COURIER

IGD

Long Live the Proletarian Internationalism!

ON THE INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY...

The importance we attribute to the international solidarity is well known by everyone. The forum constituted in our Congress sufficiently proves it. The struggle of the whole world youth, irrespective of their race, language, nationality and religion, against the common enemy; imperialism, monopolies, colonialism, racism, militarism and chauvenism, and the links of peace, friendship and solidarity knitted in this struggle, forms one of the important elements of the democratic processes on our planet.

Today, the wall that is built by the world youth against the aggression of imperialism, against the efforts for armament and sabotaging the peace, against the designs to create new hotbeds of war, day by day raises. IGD, with its utmost effort fought for the indispensable unity of our youth with the international democratic youth movement

HANDS OFF VIETNAM!

Following the military aggression of the maoist Pekin administration against the SR of Vietnam, the CC of the IGD held a special session and discussed the present developments in the region and the whole world in general. The statement approved, is sent to all fraternal organisations the world over and interested at the same time the public opinion in the country.

① Cable message sent to HO CHI MINH YCL :

We convey the full support of the Turkish people and youth to your struggle against the attacks of the expansionist maoists. Progressive youth of Turkey is convinced that the victory belongs to the heroic people of Vietnam. With all our efforts, we stand firmly by you, comrades. IGD-Turkey.

② Cable message sent to the IUS and WFDY :

We condemn the attacks of the expansionist maoists against the SR of Vietnam and declare our readiness and support to the heroic people and youth of Vietnam.

IGD-Turkey

③ Cable sent to the Chinese Embassy :

We resolutely condemn the aggression of your troops on the lands of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. On the behalf of the ten-thousands of Turkish youth, we demand an immediate end to this ugly attack which

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MESSAGE OF AHMET MUHTAR SÖKÜCÜ, THE PRESIDENT OF İGD
TO THE PRESIDUM OF THE WFDY EC MEETING, DORTMUND, FRG

Dear comrades,

The WFDY EC Meeting takes place at a time that marks very important political developments for our country. The negative changes after the establishment of the martial law by the government restrict the rights of the democratic forces. An intense oppression continues on the democratic forces, on the mass organisations and on the democratic press. Our organisation İGD takes an important share of the anti-democratic applications.

The will of the reactionary and militarist forces is very clear; to make use of the martial law in order to regain their position to continue the exploitation. To make use of the martial law as a mean of oppression to impose the demands of the imperialist circles upon our people. There is no doubt that the establishment of the martial law increased the danger of a fascist coup d'état.

All what passes are being in the presence of a social-democrat dominated government. The leaders of the Republican People's Party had announced previously their adherence to democracy and to the national independence of Turkey. But it seems that the right-wing of the RPP is playing the historical role of the social-democracy when they refuse cooperation with the democratic forces. Their silence against the applications of the military commanders of the martial law is very difficult to explain. The democratic organisations are banned, the democratic press is being outlawed, the leaders of the democratic organisations are being arrested, the students were dismissed...

Dear comrades,

Of course, we as the vanguard of the progressive and democratic youth of Turkey who are proudly struggling on the road of the working-class, are not giving up. Contrary, our struggle intensifies and becomes more difficult. We are insistently struggling for the democratic rights, national independence and for social progress, against the imperialist forces, against the escalating fascist terror and the martial law, against the economical and political institutions of US imperialism, against IMF, against their military bases.

Comrades, Progressive youth of Turkey always has the proud of being a member of WFDY. We attribute a great importance to the international solidarity. Every single member of İGD considers his internationalist duties before everything. We have the pleasure to declare once more, on the occasion of this EC Meeting our solidarity with the peoples and youth of the world in their struggle against imperialism, reaction, racism,

MESSAGE TO THE JMPLA ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY
WITH THE PEOPLE AND YOUTH OF ANGOLA, FEBRUARY 4

Dear comrades,

On the behalf of the millions of progressive and democratic youth of Turkey, we convey our militant solidarity greetings to the heroic people and youth of Angola on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity With the People and Youth of Angola. The achievements of Angolan people and youth in a very short period inspire the youth of Turkey. The heroic struggle that has been waged by the Angolan people and youth for national independence, peace and socialism, against the imperialism and colonialism is welcomed by the broad masses of our people.

Although the people and youth of our country live very hard days, although there is an increasing oppression on the democratic forces, although the presence of the anti-democratic martial law, the progressive youth of Turkey support by all means the combat of the African peoples against colonialism, racism and apartheid.

Comrades, be sure of our solidarity. Be sure of our determined struggle.

Long live the people and youth of Africa !

Long live the proletarian internationalism !

Ahmet Muhtar Sökücü
The president of İGD

MESSAGE TO THE DPOY ON THE 10'TH ANNIVERSARY

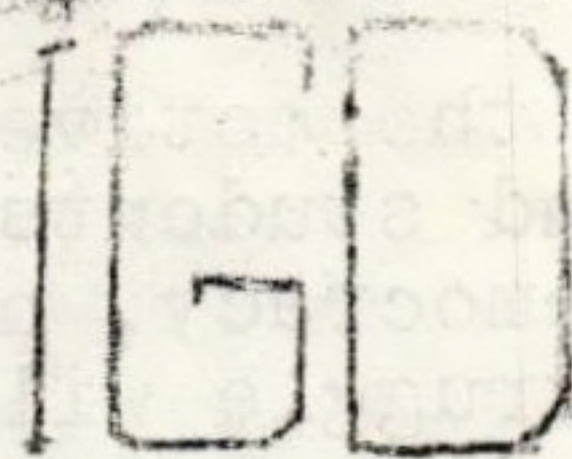
Dear comrades,

On the behalf of the progressive youth of Turkey, I cordially thank to your invitation for the celebration on the 10'th anniversary of your organisation. Unfortunately we shall not be able to participate in the referred celebrations although we strongly will.

From the very first day of its foundation, İGD- Progressive Youth Organisation declared its firm solidarity with the just struggle that has been waged by the people of Palestine for long years, for the recovery of their legitimate national rights, including their right to return, to enjoy self-determination in their motherland and the establishment of their own independent state, which is at the same time an integral part of the Arab liberation movement struggling against imperialism. ON all the occasions, Progressive Youth of Turkey announced its support to the Palestinian cause and to its sole legitimate representative, PLO.



14. Nov. 1979



PROGRESSIVE YOUTH

ORGANISATION OF TURKEY

To all friendly organisations,

The military authorities of the martial law have banned the IGD-Progressive Youth Organisation of Turkey on the 6th of November. This application of the sovereign classes against our organisation on the beginning of IGD-November Campaign "REVOLUTIONARY VIGOROUSNESS, SELF-SACRIFICE AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT" is no doubt linked tightly with their will to intensify the oppression and the terror on the working masses of our country. The ban on the IGD, the militant vanguard of the youth and students of Turkey constitutes the last chain of the speedy escalating anti-democratic applications.

The ruling classes, monopoly bourgeoisie are in preparations to load all the burden of the deepening crisis on the shoulders of the toiling masses. The social, political and economic consequences of the burning crisis cause the vast majority of the people to suffer. The dissatisfaction of the people is being materialised in the united struggle of national and democratic forces of Turkey pioneered by the working class. Neither the anti-democratic applications, nor the escalation of the fascist terror seems sufficient for the ruling classes to silence the uprising of the people.

Militarist Pentagon-NATO circles, hand in hand with their local collaborators are in the preparations of new conspiracies directly linked with intensifying oppression and terror on the democratic forces of Turkey. Imperialism tries to encircle Middle-East, to repair and consolidate South-East NATO and to strengthen its military presence in Turkey and in the region.

The IGD, Progressive Youth Organisation of Turkey, since the very beginning of its foundation have struggled beside its people, in the glorious warpath of the working class against imperialism, fascism, all types of exploitation and chauvinism for national independence, democracy and socialism. IGD fights insistently against imperialist dominated policies and monopolies which is the sole reason of the crisis.

The November Campaign, which would be realised in the whole country under the main slogan "FORWARD FOR NEW DASHES IN THE WARPATH OF THE WORKING CLASS" with no doubt would be a great step forward for the fighting unity of the youth and students and would be the realisation of the loyalty of the progressive youth of Turkey to the principles of the working class. It would reflect the readiness and resoluteness of the IGD in the fight for emancipation of Turkey. That is why the martial law commander behaved urgent to ban the IGD. That is the reason of the slanderous campaign in the monopolist, fascist and maoist press against the IGD.

However it will not be possible to silence the progressive youth. They have united in the ranks of their militant mass organisation-IGD in all factories, rural areas, universities, secondary schools. IGD is the fighting unity of 50 000 young people with its 150 local bases

throughout the country. Nothing, no one can hinder the active and organised participation of the progressive youth and students of Turkey in the general struggle of our people for democracy, national independence, peace and social progress. Our struggle will go on in any condition ever more multiplied.

In this new stage, international solidarity with the people and youth of Turkey gains ever more vitality. The İGD that has always combined the struggle against escalating fascist terror and anti-democratic oppression in the country with concrete support to the anti-imperialist struggle of the peoples and youth the world over, mobilising the broadest masses in this path, needs and deserves this solidarity. Now, to multiply the solidarity with the democratic struggle of the youth of Turkey, in particular solidarity for the annulling of the ban over their mass organisation-İGD and for an end to the anti-democratic oppression and neo-fascist terror, against the reactionary, militarist forces and imperialism will, at the same time, strengthen the international solidarity movement and the peace cause further.

No doubt that, the progressive youth and student movement in Turkey alongside with the general struggle of the working class and their people and with the powerful support of the world democratic forces, youth and students' organisations shall triumph over all conspiracies of imperialism and reaction. The repression and the ban on the İGD shall be surmounted and broken.

- ANNUL THE BAN OVER THE MASS ORGANISATION OF THE PROGRESSIVE YOUTH OF TURKEY !
- STOP THE ANTI-DEMOCRATIC OPPRESSION AGAINST THE İGD !
- LET THE INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY WITH THE DEMOCRATIC STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE, YOUTH AND STUDENTS OF TURKEY BE STRONGER !
- LONG LIVE THE FIGHTING UNITY OF WORLD DEMOCRATIC YOUTH AND STUDENTS AGAINST IMPERIALISM, FASCISM AND REACTION !

C. C.
November 7, 1979